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## MISSOURI VETERANS HOME

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# Full House – Fully Staffed Missouri Veterans Home-St. Louis

Provision of quality care services for our Veterans is our top priority. Thanks to on going staff recruitment efforts we have more than adequate staffing. The facility has been able to maintain a 97-99% occupancy rate for fiscal year 2009.

I'm proud to share that our facility staffs over the required number of nursing hours each day. In a recent St. Louis Business Journal article, staffing comparisons were made between the top 25 licensed nursing homes in the St. Louis metro area. When looking at our facility compared to these 25, we are well staffed! Thanks to our wonderful employees our resident heath care outcomes are outstanding.

I consider it a privilege to serve our Veterans in a facility that provides quality care services above and beyond regulatory requirements.



Jan Rau Administrator



# Family Picnic Independence Day Celebration

Thanks to our annual "Adopt a Vet" for the Holidays Fundraiser, our Veterans, their families and staff had an Independence Day Celebration which seemed to be the best one yet. Despite record high temperatures, our Recreation Department along with some devoted Volunteers and staff ensured this commemorative day was eventful, fun filled, and that great memories would be held in the hearts of all who attended.

MVH-St. L	Louis Census	WW II	161	Army	159
Date As Of	July 14, 2009	Korean War	65	Navy	76
	served in more then	Vietnam	56	Marines	25
one branch of service and conflict.		Pershing Golf		Air Force	23
Men	280	Peace Time		Coast Guard	5
Women	<u>16</u>	Cold War	<u>14</u>	Other	<u>8</u> 296
Total	296	Total	296	Total	296

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Rec. City Happenings (Megan Martinez, Director)

We began May with a Kentucky Derby party in the Rec. room. We didn't have big hats or mint juleps but we did have a grand ole time. That led us into another fiesta on the 5<sup>th</sup> as we celebrated Cinco de Mayo. The weather was nice enough that we were able to get back outside and take a few trips to the park to feed the ducks,



take scenic rides, and have socials in the courtyard. On the 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 9<sup>th</sup> we went on our annual poppy sale outing. The veterans always look forward to helping others and enjoy being part of this rewarding experience. We launched 300 balloons in the courtyard to signify the start of National Nursing Home Week on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Later in the day we enjoyed a treat from the ice cream truck while wearing



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the crazy hats that we made. On the 12<sup>th</sup> we all wore our brightest t-shirts, and played poker and bingo. The 13<sup>th</sup> was Cardinal Day and everyone proudly sported their favorite Cardinal gear and



enjoyed an ice cream social as well as a performance by the Dynamic Silver Wings. If you happened to visit us on the 14<sup>th</sup> you probably thought we were all crazy because it was mismatch day! We played Big Item Price is Right in the morning and had a lovely time with Sue



Kennedy in the afternoon. In the evening we watched the Cardinals game and ate pizza. On the 15<sup>th</sup> we had a wonderful BBQ in the courtyard for residents and staff. The return of Re-Creation was well worth the wait, not to mention a great way to close the week on a high note. On the 25<sup>th</sup> we celebrated Memorial Day with a service at Klein Park. The rest of the month went by pretty



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quickly with trips to Fairmount Park, Soulard Market, and Soldier's Memorial.

We thought we would take a trip over the bridge in June and went to the Casino Queen to try our luck on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. The rest of the week was spent fishing, washing up wheelchairs, visiting fish fry's and eating BBQ. We put a new twist on bingo in which a bingo won a prize instead of cash. On the 7<sup>th</sup> we visited the Washington Elks. We also enjoyed spending time outdoors at our pavilion; we flew kites, ate snow cones, and went to the Mills Mall to round out the week. On the 14<sup>th</sup> we visited VFW 5517. The next day we received a visit from Sunny Side Up which is a great musical treat. On the 18th we hosted a military movie night in the recreation room. We watched Full Metal Jacket and ate popcorn. On the 19<sup>th</sup> we went to the skeet shoot and enjoyed happy hour upon our return. There was more BBQ on the 15th thanks to the Florissant Elks. We never say no to BBQ! On the 22<sup>nd</sup> we brought the casino to MVH as we hosted our very own casino night in Rec. City. On the 26<sup>th</sup> we went to Soulard Market. It was a nice addition to our outing schedule and we very much enjoyed the fresh produce. Finally the long awaited big deal event of the

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William Moutrie	\$ 50.00
Knights Of Columbus Council # 6971	\$ 100.00
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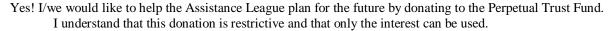
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# **Obituary**

It is the policy of this publication to print the obituary of individuals who have indicated that memorial donations are to go to the Missouri Veterans Home or to the St. Louis Veterans' Home Committee. It should be noted that all checks should be made out to the St. Louis Veterans' Home Committee. If they are made out to the home, then that check will be returned for corrections. Please insure that we receive a copy of that memorial. It cannot be printed if we do not know about it. All memorial donations are targeted to the Perpetual Fund. The interest benefits the Missouri Veterans Home - St. Louis.

Keeve, Frederick H.

Fortified with the Sacraments of HOLY Mother Church, Tuesday March 31, 2009.

Son of the late Frederick William Keeve & the late Elizabeth E. Marie Keeve (nee Riese): Beloved husband of 60 years of the late Margie C. Keeve (nee Hegger): father of Frederick (Carolyn) Keeve, Jr., Karen (Dave) Schmidt, Kathleen (Paul) McCoy, & Jeffrey (Gail) Keeve: grandfather of the late Brian Keeve, Kevin (Nicole Jollay) Keeve, Liza (Robert) Faulkner, Scot (Suzanne

Schmidt, DeannaSchmidt, Dawn Schmidt, Joseph (Melissa) Svoboda, Toby (Karen Svoboda, the late Ryan McCoy (Brandi), Kelly (Paul) Gross, Jr. Keeve, Amy Keeve & Nicole Keeve: brother of the late Eleanora Fussner & the late Celeste Keeve, brother-in-law of: Bernice Hegger & the late Melvin Hegger Sr., Joseph & Mary Hegger, the late Anthony & the late Rosemarie Nekula, Jean Bolton & the late Robert Bolton Sr., William Fussner Sr., greatgrandfather of twelve; uncle, great-uncle, great-great-uncle, cousin and friend to many.

Born on May 9,1922in St. Louis, Mo. He served for over 3 years during W.W. II in the U.S. Army progressing to the rank of Staff Sergeant. He retired from both Wagner Electric Corporation and Feming Printing Company. He was a long-time member of St. Bernadette Catholic Club.

Service: A Memorial Mass will be conducted at St. Bernadette Catholic Church Parish. 68 Sherman Road (in Jefferson Barracks), Lemay, Mo. 63125 on Thursday, April 23, 2009 at 10:00a.m. There will be a ceremony with full military honors at 11:30 a.m. at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. A luncheon reception will follow immediately at his daughter Karen Schmidt's house, where

the family will receive friends. He generously donated his body to scientific research at the St. Louis University School of Medicine. He, along with his wife, will have a grave marker at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, you may wish to show special appreciation to the MO Veterans Home, American Heart Association, the National Parkinson Foundation or the charity of your choice

Litts, Robert A.
On Friday, April 17, 2009

Beloved husband of Judith Litts; dear father of Robert C. and Alan Scott Litts; dear stepfather of Michael Boshans, Jeffrey Boshans, Christi Whitecotton, Elizabeth Hake, and Carrie Malhotra; broth of Kenneth, Dorothy Vaughan, Blanche Trump, Virginia Bryant, Roy Kessler, Patricia McDaniel, Donal, James, Susan Taylor and the late Willard and Gerald; beloved grandfather, uncle and shipmate.

Bob was Department Service Officer, State of Mo. L, Past Commander of American Legion Post 101 and Past Commander of Post 3500 V.F.W. Member of 40 & 8, past Commander of Navy Club of Missouri, member of Fleet Reserve Association Retired Enlisted Assn., AMVETS Post 55 pat

secretary of Brentwood Lions Club.

Services: Tuesday 10 a.m. at Bopp Chapel, 10610 Manchester Rd. Kirkwood. Burial with full military honors at Jefferson Barracks Cemetery. Visitation Monday 4-8 p.m. with the 10th District Guard of Honor service at 7 p.m.. In lieu of flowers, donation preferred to American Heart Association, or Missouri Veterans Home.-St. Louis

Stocker, Herman "Charlie" On Tuesday April 14, 2009.

Loving father of Steven (Lisa) Stocker and Thersa (Jeff) Wilson; beloved grandfather of Steven Stocker; loving companion of Sharon McVine; dear brother-in-law, uncle, cousin and friend.

Charlie served his Country honorably as a U.S.M.C. during the Vietnam War, "Semper Fi", He was a member of V.F.W. Post 6137 in St. Louis, a retired member of the Printers Union and was a long time resident of Bellefontaine Neighbors.

Services: The Stygar Family of Funeral Services is caring for Charlie's family at the STY-GAR MID RIVERS Funeral Home, 5987 Mid Rivers Mall Dr. (St. Charles) where funeral services will be held on Fri. April 17, 2009 at 8 p.m. Private Interment National Cemetery Jefferson Barracks, Mo. In Lieu

# All Memorial Donations Goes Into The Perpetual Trust Fund.



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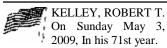
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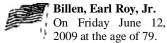
VISITATION Friday 4-8 p.m.



Beloved husband of Julia Kelley (nee Temares): dear father of Patrick P.K. Kelley and Kimberley Frye and Caitlin Kelley: dear Pa-Pa of Danielle Frye and Caitlin Kelley: dear brother of Ann Stoneberger, Edward and the late Valentine Kelley: our sonin-law, brother-in-law' uncle, great uncle, great great uncle, cousin, and friend.

Services: Funeral from KUTIS AFFTON Chapel, 10151 Gravois, Thursday, May 7 11:30 a.m. Interment National Cemetery, 37 year member of Marine Post 206 and past Commander and 50 year member Machinists Local 1345.

Contributions to Missouri Veterans Home or BJC Hospice appreciated. Visitation Wed 3-9 p.m.



Beloved husband of Barbara R. Billen (nee Jennemann) of 59 years; Father of Barbara (Steve) Nelson, Cheryl (jan) Jett, Gary (Theresa) Billen and the late Thomnas Roy Billen; Son of the late Ear, Sr. & Vivian Billen; dear grandfather of Ann (Jason) Babcock, Lynn (Stephen) Morgan, Stephanie (Jorge) Irvine,

Glenn (Michelle) & Kevin Jett, Brian, Nicole & Allison Billen; Great-grandfather of Steven Babcock & Katherine Morgan; brother of the late Jean Oppeau & Roger Billen; dear uncle & friend.

Earl served in the Army as a Corporal. He was wounded in Korea, has a Purple Heart & Bronze Star. He worked for Monsanto from 1955 to 1985. He loved golfing & reading.

Services: The Funeral service will be conducted on Monday June15, 2009 1 p.m. at Forever Oak Hill Funeral Home (Hwy 44 & Big Bend) 10301 Big Bend, Kirkwood, Mo. 63122 Interment New St. Marcus Cemetery. Visitation will be on Sunday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to The Missouri Veterans Home,10600 Lewis & Clark Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. 63136.

**Hoffmeister, Gary** June 15, 2009, at the age of 63.

Dear husband of Kathy M. Hoffmeister (nee Stotler); dear father of Kristen Wallace and Shelley Hoffmeister; dear brother of Ron Hoffmeister and the late Charlotte Barry; dear grandfather of Iszak, Jakob, Sydney.

Services: The Stygar Family of Funeral Service is caring for Gary's family. Funeral Sat. June 20, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the STYGAR MID RIVERS Funeral Home, 5987 Mid Rivers Mall Dr., (St. Charles).

Meet at cemetery Sat. 1:30 p.m. Interment St. James Cemetery, St. James, Mo. Visitation Fri., June 19, from 4:00 Until 8:00 P.m. Memorials to Alzheimer's Assn, St. Louis Chapter, Mo. Veteran's Home, Heartland Hospice. preferred Www.stygar.com

Henke, Ignatius John
(Nash-Hank) Sunrise
2, June 1924 Sunset
22, June 2009 Died in the Holy
Mother Church, United State
Army, Pacific Theater WWII,
Tech Sergeant.

Beloved husband of 49 years to the late Margaret A. (nee English) Henke; Pops of the late David I. Henke; Father-in-law of the late Barbara (nee Rupp-Raycraft) Henke; devoted Grandpa to Joshua W. Henke; dear brother of Oliver (June) and Justin (Margaret) Henke; brother-in-law of Marie Henke, George (Betty), Stephen (Linda) English, Betty English-Jolly and the late Thomas (Janet) English.

Preceded in death by parents Bernard "Ben" and Adele (Nee Hei) Henke; Brothers and sister Glennon (Marion), Wilma (Anthony) Haarmann, Ralph, Norbert (Charlotte and Blanche), Bernard (Irene) and David C. Henke; our dear uncle, great-uncle, great-great-uncle, cousin, Godfather and friend of many.

He was a 52 year member of the former St. Catherine of Alexandria Church, member of Teamsters Local 618; he was strongly dedicated to his country, family and friends. His family is appreciative of the lavish outpouring of love, care, visits from so many who touched his life over the years. Special thanks to his dear friends and staff at the Missouri Veteran's Home and Southern Care Hospice for their unending help and friendship.

Services: Ignatius will lie in state at STYGAR FLORISSANT CHAPEL,13980 New Halls Ferry Rd. on Wednesday from 3-9 p.m. A Mass will be held on Thursday 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church followed by Christian burial at Sacred Heart Cemetery with full military honors. In lieu of flowers, memorials to The Missouri Veterans Home, 10600 Lewis and Clark Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. 63136 or Southern Care Hospice, Southern Care Inc. 2258 Schuetz Road, Suite 116 &118, St. Louis, Mo. 63146.

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## **Estate Planning**

The Perpetual Trust Fund is the key to the future of uncompromised services to Veterans. If you are interested in this worthy goal and would like to invest in the future of Veteran care by donating to the Perpetual Trust Fund please contact the St. Louis Veterans Home Assistance League Attorney. The Perpetual Trust Fund is an investment to which the interest is utilized to benefit the Missouri Veterans Home-St. Louis and the residents who reside within the home. Many individuals have chosen to leave this world knowing they have made a difference in the lives of our heroes who have served to assure our countries freedom. They leave a legacy that lives on forever in the hearts and lives of Americas' Finest.

## All Bequests Must Be Made Out To The

## St. Louis Veterans Home Committee

**And Targeted For Perpetual Trust Fund** 

Representing The St. Louis Veterans' Home Committee In Matters Of Wills, Estates And Trust Is Our Attorney Michael R. Bamvakais, 9939 Gravois Rd St. Louis, MO 63123
Phone: (314) 631-0200

If You Have Any Questions In Regards To This Matter, Please Give Him A Call.



**Hoelscher, Melvin** baptized into the hope of Christ's Resurrection on Wednesday July 1, 2009.

Beloved husband of Billie Jean Hoelscher (nee Barnitz); dear father of Michael, Gregory (Robin), Timothy (Kim), Stephen (C.J.), William (Mary Ann) and Andrew (Louisa Hoelscher; dear grandfather of 21 and their spouses; dear great-grandfather of 8; dear brother of Bernice Hosack, Grace (Wilbert) Gully, Mabel Namken, Elmer, Willard (Maxine) and William Hoelscher.

Mr. Hoelscher was born in Slaton, TX, was an Eagle Scout, received his BBA\MBA fro Texas Tech University, was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII and later a reserve officer of the U. S. Air Force. He was a CPA and CFO of Cloth World, a lifelong community volunteer, a Boy Scout Leader, member of St. Richard Catholic church and the Knights of Columbus.

Services: Funeral from KRIEGSHAUSER WEST Mortuary. 9450 Olive Blvd. on Monday, July 6, 2009 9:00 AM. Interment Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Missouri Veterans Home. 10600 Lewis & Clark Blvd (63136) or St. Richard Church Building Fund, 11223 Schuetz Rd (63146). Visitation Sunday, July 5, 3:00-7:00 PM.

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year was upon us. On the 27<sup>th</sup> we held our annual Resident Family Picnic. The



weather was HOT but that didn't stop the MVH family. We had games, food, cold towels, cold drinks, raffle prizes, a DJ, glider pilots, live music, and fireworks! It was a wonderful day. We are so thankful to all of the families who joined us despite the ominous weather.



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Teamsters Local 688 Retiree's Club

We all look forward to this day, and as always it was a wonderful success thanks to all who visited and volunteered. What a nice way to end a busy month.



In July we aimed to find activities that would keep us inside where it is nice and cool so we started a book club that meets twice a week. So far our heroes are really enjoying it. On the 6<sup>th</sup> we had a picnic in the courtyard and on the 7<sup>th</sup> we went to the Muny where we saw a wonderful representation of Meet Me in St. Louis. On the 9<sup>th</sup> we took a trip to the Missouri Botanical Gardens. We welcomed the Old Time Car Show on the

11th and enjoyed a "ride" down memory lane. On the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> we enjoyed the All Star festivities on television as our very own hometown was featured in the national spotlight. Also on the 14<sup>th</sup> the St. Louis Veterans Home hosted a Health Fair. This was a first for us and we are grateful to all of our participants and visitors. In an attempt to keep ourselves intellectually stimulated we invited the Science Center to visit us. On the 16<sup>th</sup> they came and presented the first in a series of outreach lectures that will continue into the coming months. We were intrigued by the "creepy chemistry" and look forward to future visits. On the 21<sup>st</sup> we went to play the ponies at Fairmount once again. Some were luckier than others! We continued through the month with outings to Soulard Market, Scenic Rides, shopping trips, and movie nights in Rec. City. We had a special Christmas in July bingo with Santa Clause on the 25<sup>th</sup>. On the 27<sup>th</sup> we went to the Muny again, this time we

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\$100.00

## Pass In Review



Our deepest sympathy to those families and friends who have lost a loved one. The Veterans who reside within the Missouri Veterans Home live on forever in spirit and we respectfully submit a list of those comrades.

Raymond Gehl	03/04/2009
Francis Neuberger	03/05/2009
John Beaudoin	03/06/2009
Donald Lee	03/08/2009
Bobby Barclift	03/13/2009
James Lieser	03/16/2009
Virgil Dill	03/21/2009
Howard Tignor	03/21/2009
Carl Davis	03/27/2009
Fred Keeve	03/31/2009
Robert North	04/03/2009
William Fitzgibbons	04/09/2009
William Cazadd	04/10/2009
Harold Flanagan	04/10/2009
Felix McCarty	04/13/2009
Marie Doenges	04/22/2009
John Deweese	04/26/2009
George Glass	05/05/2009
Clarence Isbell	05/08/2009
Edward Rauss	05/10/2009
Lee Franklin	05/20/2009
Edgar Biles	05/28/2009
Benjamin Mahone	05/31/2009
George Fischer	06/09/2009
Earl Billen	06/12/2009
Robert Holmes	06/14/2009
Gary Hoffmeister	06/15/2009
John Dalton	06/17/2009
Glennon Ryan	06/22/2009
Ignatius Henke	06/22/2009
Ben Piekutowski	06/25/2009
Claude Clark	06/26/2009
Melvin Hoelscher	07/01/2009
Vernon McClane	07/11/2009

# All Memorial Donation Goes Into The Perpetual Trust Fund Of The St. Louis Veterans' Home Committee

#### **Donations**

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to those individuals, groups, organizations and companies that have donated to ensure our heroes "live life to the fullest".

Special thanks to those of you who gave their all to fundraise enough monies to purchase the new van. This was priority 1 on our list. The hope is to have the new van on property and utilized for the winter season.

As always when the need arises to assist our Heroes this community shines! This Assistance League is grateful to be part of this united effort on behalf of our Veterans.

#### **Indigent Fund**

V.F.W. Post 5923 \$300.00

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V.F.W. Aux. 5923	\$100.00
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Bingo Fund	
Cape Girardeau School	\$30.00
KOC #1215	\$480.00
A.L. Aux. 162	\$125.00
Ray & Roxanna Zehnle	\$60.00
Archie Doyle	\$150.00
Holiday Fund	
AARP Chapter 1291	\$25.00
Florissant Elks #2316	\$38.77
Day at the Race	es
A.L. Post 338	\$75.00
Activity Fund	
A.L. Aux. 213	\$100.00
Happy Hour Fu	nd
A.L. Post 338	\$125.00
Birthday Fund	l
V.V.A.	\$150.00
Razor Fund	
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Eileen Seiter-Cooney

Missouri Veterans Home—St Louis 25 June 2009 ATTN: Ms. Jan Rau

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St. Louis, MO 63136-6005

Dear Veterans and Staff;

Thank-you for the sincerity, respect, and attention you gave us during the illness and death of my brother Ben Piekutowski. Although Ben was not married and had no children of his own it was obvious that he had a very dear family of veterans and staff at the Missouri Veterans Home. Your memorial and words of comfort by the Veterans, friends, and staff made this difficult time for our family better and brought closure to his life.

You entered Ben's life at a time when he really needed the support and care that only you could provide. You took care of Ben and befriended him during his hour of need. We will never forget your sincere commitment to his life, and the way that you honored his service when he departed this world.

As you know Ben enjoyed life immensely and was happy and content with surroundings at the Missouri Veterans Home. His unique sense of humor and kindness to all will be sorely missed in a world that is sometimes lacking of people like our Uncle Ben. It is comforting to know that we will not be the only "family" that will miss him.

Again, thank one and all for your kind and generous heart

Helen "Piekutowski" Laney & Family

### Birthdays of Veterans At The Missouri Veterans Home St. Louis



Birthday Cards
For Veterans
Please Send Them
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#### August

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William Stilwell	08/01
Robert Perry	08/04
Arthur Schaefer	08/05
Robert Lamb	08/05
Eugene Perkins	08/06
Arthur Blatt	08/07
Louis Abramovitz	08/07
Hubert Kempka	08/07
Paul Leonard	08/08
Ridgeway Butler	08/08
Charles Faulkner	08/09
Henry Oelkers	08/09

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saw Camelot. We truly are blessed to have such an amazing outdoor theater in our own neighborhood. On the 30<sup>th</sup> our place went to the animals when the St. Louis Zoo visited with us bringing an assortment of critters along to visit. We look forward to another visit from them



in the future.

Martha Fosdick

James Noonan

Phillis Carlson

Delbert Mitchell

Ιn the months ahead we look forward to more presentations by the Science Center and the Zoo, annual our outing to the **Black Stallion** Room at Fairmount, and the Luau. We are also look-

ing forward to going to the ballpark to see the Cardinals play in person. As always we thank all of our volunteers. Your countless hours of time and monetary donations allow us to provide the



Willie Helm

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best possible quality of life for our Heroes. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

We Thank You For Your

**Birthday Cards** 

Donations
Are Always Appreciated!

Tommy Odis	08/10	Thomas Alexander	09/20
Clyde Decker	08/13	Lewis Lee	09/22
Hiram Main	08/14	Bradley Wilkinson	09/23
Finis McClain	08/15	Walter Wintermantel	09/26
George Engemann	08/15	Charles Johnson	09/26
Harry Lammert	08/17	Earl Borth	09/30
Frank Champa	08/17	October	
Robert Herhold	08/17	Clifford Green	10/03
Wallace Davis	08/21	Joseph Degraffenreid	10/04
Robert Suter	08/21	William Keenoy	10/06
Edward Palmisano	08/23	Dade Farnham	10/06
Robert Penny	08/23	Ralph Loyd	10/08
Joseph Young	08/25	Edward Opich	10/08
Eugene Montgomery	08/26	Norvell Buck	10/09
Peter Zentay	08/26	Robert Rath	10/09
John Welling	08/26	James Kinealy	10/11
Robert Tubbesing	08/27	Alan Williams	10/13
Francis Dorsey	08/28	Fifi Calascibetta	10/13
Vernon Boschert	08/28	Dewitt Harris	10/14
Jerome Dulle	08/29	Albert Provaznik	10/14
Alfred Lohman	08/30	Elmer Hawkins	10/16
September		Rudia Lee	10/17
Albert Pizzi	09/03	Elizabeth Labrier	10/21
Thomas Vetter	09/08	Jay Kelley	10/23
Milton Jones	09/11	Roy Fuhrig	10/25
Alvoyde Chatman	09/12	Wilbur Scherbel	10/28
Mirl Hale	09/14	Jerry Kelly	10/29
George Unwer	09/15	John Sievers	10/29
Dominic Farace	09/15	Frank Cooney	10/30
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#### Missouri Veterans Home - St. Louis

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#### Staff Contact List

Last Update July 15, 2009

We will be updating and improving our newsletter in an effort to provide information to which will assist you and keep you abreast on the Veterans' home and other vital areas which pertain to the Veterans and their future. This administrative directory page will be inclusive as one of our updates. Please feel free to utilize this feature page to directly access any of our administrative staff.



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Mexico	(573)	581-1088
Mt. Vernon	<b>(417)</b>	466-7103
St. James	(573)	265-3271
Warrensburg	(660)	543-5064
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State Veterans Cemeteries
Bloomfield (573) 568-3871
Higginsville (660) 584-5252
Jacksonville (660) 295-4237
Springfield (417) 823-3944
Veterans Service Officers
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1-866-838-4636

**Duncan McPherson** (Veteran Service Officer) ext.242

VA On sight Clinic North (314) 286-6988

**Catherine Taylor** 

(Social Worker A-100)

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(Health Program Rep)		(Recreation Director)	
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(Asst. Director of Nursing		(Director of Environmental &	& Laundry
Maria Steeples	ext. 219	Services)	
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<b>Gwen Session</b>	ext. 294	(Director of Accounting)	
(C-100 Wing Unit Manager)		Delilah Weber	ext.238
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(C-200 Wing Unit Manager)		Cindy Beard	ext. 251
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(A-100 Wing Unit Manager)		Dale Maylee	ext. 260
Lucretia Jones	ext. 204	(Director of Plant Operations	*
(A-200 Wing Unit Manager)		Twanna Barnett	ext. 228
Claudette Fonaris	ext. 212	(Staff Development Coordinate	
(B-200/300 Wing Unit Mana	ger)	John Licavoli	ext. 247
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(B-400/500 Wing Unit Mana	ger)	Paul Harrell	ext. 222
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(Day Shift Supervisor)		Julie Goulet	ext. 239
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(Day Shift Supervisor)		Sally Drexl	ext. 278
Mollye Austin	ext. 219	(Career Training Center Cou	ncilor)
(Night Shift Supervisor)		D: 4H 4E 4	4•
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(Night Shift Supervisor)		A-100 Nurses Station	
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# Missouri Veterans Home-St. Louis Wish List



The following is an approved "wish list" by the Administrator for some of the items needed at the Veterans home or by its residents. Donations for "wish list" items must be in monetary form. The items will be purchased by the facility. Please call Julie Goulet, Supervisor of Volunteer service to ensure that there is a current need for the item at (314) 340-6389 ext. 239. If a tax letter is requested on physical items, please note that no dollar amount will be given. It is the responsibility of the donor to justify the value of the item (s) if challenged by the IRS.

To let you know how important an item is on the list, we have placed a priority number from 1 to 5 with 1 being the most needed.

Item Needed	Priority	Item Needed	Priority
Trust Fund	1+	Electric Razor	1
General Fund	1	TV Fund	1
Recreation / Activity	1		

#### St. Louis Veterans' Home Committee - Donation Form

I would like to make a donation of \$ as indicated.  Fund:	Make Checks Payable To: St. Louis Veterans' Home Committee % Missouri Veterans Home - St. Louis 10600 Lewis & Clark Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63136	Donation By:  Name:  Address:  City:  State: Zip:  Phone: ( ) -
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